

Appl. No.: 10/737,040  
Amdt. dated 05/07/2007  
Reply to Office action of December 7, 2006

### REMARKS

In the December 7, 2006 Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claim 1, as amended, is allowable. In view of the allowance of claim 1, the Applicant is cancelling the claim not allowed and solicits an early issuance of the above-identified application.

The Applicant respectfully petitions for a three month extension of time to reply to the December 7, 2006 Office Action. The Applicant submits that no further extension of time nor fees for net addition of claims are required. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR §1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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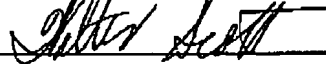
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